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# Arkansas Weekly Broiler Report

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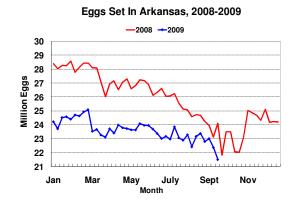
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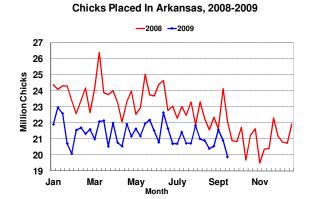
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#### Arkansas Chick Placements Down 10 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 19.9 million during the week ending September 26, 2009. Placements were down 10 percent from the comparable week in 2008 and down 5 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 21.5 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending September 26, 2009, down 11 percent from the same period last year and down 4 percent from the previous week.





Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, August 29, 2009 - September 26, 2009

	Eggs Set Week Ending					Chicks Placed Week Ending					
State											
	29-Aug	5-Sep	12-Sep	19-Sep	26-Sep	29-Aug	5-Sep	12-Sep	19-Sep	26-Sep	
	Thousand					Thousand					
Alabama	28,722	27,783 *	27,470	27,613	27,963	20,290	20,875	19,669	20,598	19,960	
Arkansas	23,380	22,808 *	23,018	22,377	21,512	20,394	20,538	21,575	20,907	19,875	
Delaware	3,365	3,478	3,289	3,218	3,376	4,448	4,291	5,153	4,335	4,763	
Florida	899	909 *	900	902	1,144	729	650	648	661	669	
Georgia	31,839	31,504	30,922	29,307	31,229	25,202	27,066	26,849	26,589	26,416	
Kentucky	7,616 *	7,204 *	7,360	7,025	7,744	6,516	6,657	6,665	6,573 *	6,428	
Louisiana	3,424	3,409	3,394	3,379	3,346	3,020	3,016	2,953	2,996	2,892	
Maryland	8,854	8,132	8,180	7,786	8,621	6,661	6,024	5,256	6,387	5,824	
Mississippi	17,833	17,144 *	17,872	17,563	15,581	16,298	16,113	15,799	15,456	14,724	
N. Carolina	18,452	17,636 *	16,744	17,408	17,620	14,996	15,434	15,496	15,330	14,324	
Oklahoma	6,772	6,581 *	6,460	6,675 *	6,243	4,953	4,401	4,824	4,934	4,915	
Pennsylvania	4,039	4,020	3,890	3,626 *	3,836	3,052	2,981	2,983	3,285 *	3,233	
S. Carolina	5,533	5,274	5,783	5,487	5,539	5,130	4,715	4,591	4,974	4,482	
Texas	14,836	14,596 *	14,111	13,591	13,832	12,890	13,094	12,861	12,689	12,753	
Virginia	6,100	6,111	5,918	5,792	6,005	4,721	5,552	5,172	4,653	4,456	
CA,MO,TN & WV	18,389	18,395	17,618	17,834 *	17,761	16,398	15,258	15,273	15,706 *	15,791	
19 State Total	200,053 *	194,984 *	192,929	189,583 *	191,352	165,698	166,665	165,767	166,073 *	161,505	
Prev. Year Total	204,988	201,630	197,833	193,569	198,742	170,083	170,363	170,671	168,148	165,813	
% of Prev. Year	98	97	98	98	96	97	98	97	99	97	

<sup>\*</sup> Revised in current week.

#### Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 4 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 191 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 26, 2009. This was down 4 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

### **Broiler Chicks Placed Down 3 Percent**

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 162 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 26, 2009. Placements were down 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through September 26, 2009 were 6.55 billion, down 5 percent from the same period a year earlier.